

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF THE TOWN OF PINEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2019

The Town Council of the Town of Pineville met in Regular Session on Tuesday, December 10, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at the Hut Meeting Facility in Pineville.

ATTENDANCE

Mayor: Jack Edwards

Mayor Pro-Tem: David Phillips

Council Members: Debbie Fowler, Melissa Davis and Joe Maxim

Town Manager: Ryan Spitzer

Planning & Zoning Director: Travis Morgan

Finance Director: Richard Dixon Town Clerk: Barbara Monticello

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jack Edwards called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG (JE)

Council Member Joe Maxim led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Edwards asked for a moment of silence for Council Member Melissa Davis who lost her brother three weeks ago, Town Manager Ryan Spitzer who lost his grandmother and Pineville resident Debbie Pressley who passed away. He also asked that we remember our troops, first responders, police, fire and our military men and women as there was another active shooter incident in Jersey City, NJ today where six people were killed. .

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

Adoption of the Agenda:

Council Member Debbie Fowler made a motion to adopt the agenda. Council Member Melissa Davis seconded the motion and there were ayes by all. Motion passed 4-0.

Approval of the Minutes from the Regular Council Meeting and Closed Session Meetings of November 12, 2019.

Council Member Melissa Davis moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Council Member Debbie Fowler. There were ayes by all and the minutes were approved.

Consent Agenda:

The Consent Agenda consisted of the following items: a) Finance Report as of 11/30/19. b) Accept the Official Election Results. Council Member Debbie Fowler made a motion to adopt the agenda with Council Member Joe Maxim seconding the motion. There were ayes by all and the motion passed 4-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Bobby French, the new principal of Pineville Elementary school, spoke about how he went to Pineville Elementary School and has come back to the school as their principal. He was happy to see the diversity of his students, as well as the overall growth of Pineville. He commended his teachers as great mentors and reminded council that he was available to speak with anyone at any time.

Jane Shutt of Pineville Neighbors Place, spoke of the upcoming "Shop with a Cop" event. They received a lot of toys and funds for the event and were excited to be able to help the boys and girls of Pineville and Sterling Elementary Schools. She offered big thanks to some of the larger sponsors, such as Daimler Truck Company, Middle James Brewery, Pineville Tavern and Atrium Health. She stated this event has been a huge success and thanked Pineville Communications for assisting with the Food Drive as well as the entire community for their ongoing support.

OLD BUSINESS: None

RECOGNITION OF OUTGOING BOARD MEMBERS:

Mayor Edwards presented outgoing Council Members David Phillips and Debbie Fowler with proclamations and gifts in recognition of their years of service. He thanked them for their time and contributions and wished them well. Both Mrs. Fowler and Mr. Phillips thanked their families and the residents for their support and for allowing them to serve as their representatives on the Town Council.

SWEARING IN CEREMONY:

- a. Oath of Office for Mayor Town Clerk, Barbara Monticello, was given the honor of swearing in Mayor Jack Edwards for his new term. He thanked Council and the residents of the town for their hard work and continued support.
- b. Oath of Office for New Council Members Mayor Edwards was given the honor of swearing in the two new Council Members, Les Gladden and Amelia Stinson-Wesley.

Amelia Stinson-Wesley expressed that she was delighted and grateful to be in office. She thanked her family, her husband and her children for their support as well as the residents in Pineville that elected her. Les Gladden stated that it was not his first time on Council. He knew it was a 24/7 job requiring a lot of hours and that was why he appreciated the time the others had put into being on the board. He thanked those in attendance for their support.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was on piece of new business that had to take place and that was to nominate someone to be Mayor Pro Tem. New Council Member, Les Gladden, noted that typically the Mayor Pro Tem was the person with the highest votes but in this case with new, staggered terms in place, that concept really didn't apply so much anymore and with Ms. Davis' years of experience on the board now, he nominated her for the spot of Mayor Pro Tem. Council Member, Joe Maxim, seconded the motion. There were ayes by all and Melissa Davis became the new Mayor Pro Tem for the board.

Mayor Edwards noted a date change for the January Work Session. Due to a conflict in his schedule, he requested it be moved from January 27th to January 21st since January 20th was a holiday. Council Member Joe Maxim made a motion to accept that date change and Council Member Amelia Stinson-Wesley seconded the motion. There were ayes by all and the date for the meeting was changed.

ADJOURNMENT: Council Member Amelia Stinson Wesley made a motion to adjourn with Mayor Pro Tem Melissa Davis seconding the motion. There were ayes by all and the meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m. A reception with light refreshments followed.

Mayor Jack Edwards

ATTEST:

Barbara Monticello, Town Clerk